

**Easterling, Deborah**

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**From:** Easterling, Deborah  
**Sent:** Monday, March 18, 2019 11:08 AM  
**To:** 'Kaye martell'  
**Subject:** RE: [External] Duke energy rate increase

Dear Ms. Martell,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of Protest/Comments to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Your Letter of Protest/Comments will be placed in the Protest File of the Docket listed below and on the Commission's Website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov).

- Docket No. 2018-319-E - Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Adjustments in Electric Rate Schedules and Tariffs and Request for an Accounting Order

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Docket No. 2018-319-E - Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Adjustments in Electric Rate Schedules and Tariffs and Request for an Accounting Order - <https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Dockets/Detail/116872>

If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling  
 Executive Assistant  
 Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
 803-896-5133

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**From:** Kaye martell  
**Sent:** Monday, March 18, 2019 11:06 AM  
**To:** PSC\_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov>  
**Subject:** [External] Duke energy rate increase

I am attaching a word file of my protest against the Duke energy rate increase. Please let me know you have received it. Kaye Martell

Kaye Martell

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March 18, 2019

Dear Public Service Commissioners,

I am a 72 year old widow who is on Social Security.

I lived in a 2400 Sq. Ft. house until a year ago. This house had 2 heat pumps and a gas furnace. My equal payment plan was \$91 a month.

I now live in a 1200 Sq. Ft. house with one heat pump for both heating and cooling. My equal payment plan is now \$102 a month.

I had the smart meter put on a few months ago and wonder if this is a problem.

I was at the Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup> meeting in Greenville but with over 90+ speakers I couldn't get to speak.

I am totally against the rate increase that Duke Energy is proposing. I cannot afford a 30% increase on top of my addition increase.

This will negatively affect so many elderly and poor people. Please don't approve this fee hike.

Sincerely,

Kaye Martell

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